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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN JOSE DIVISION

AHMED HIGAZI, on behalf of himself and a  
class of those similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS, INC.,

Defendant.

No. C-07-2813-JW

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT**

28 U.S.C. § 1715

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the parties to the above-referenced class action have reached a proposed settlement of the claims at issue in the litigation. Pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA"), 28 U.S.C. § 1715, defendant Cadence Design Systems, Inc. ("Cadence"), provides this notice to the Attorney General of the United States of America and the appropriate state official in each state in which a class member resides. Cadence encloses and/or states the following in accordance with its notice obligations under 28 U.S.C. section 1715(b):

1. Plaintiff's complaint in the above-titled action.
2. The parties' Settlement Agreement.
3. The parties' proposed Notice of (1) Proposed Class Action Settlement and (2) Final Settlement Approval Hearing, which includes information about the scheduled judicial hearing in the above-titled action.
4. The parties' proposed Election Not to Participate in Settlement Form.
5. The parties' proposed Claim Form.
6. The names of Class Members who reside in each state and the estimated proportionate share of the claims of Class Members in each state to the entire settlement.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Court scheduled a judicial hearing for preliminary approval on March 10, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, Courtroom 8, 3rd Floor, 280 South First Street, San Jose, California 95113.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to CAFA you are not required to comment on the settlement. However, if you wish to comment, please file your comments by **[INSERT DATE]** electronically (the Court provides information about its electronic case filing system at <http://ecf.cand.uscourts.gov>) or in hard copy form to Clerk of Court, San Jose Division, United States District Court, Northern District of California, 280 South 1st Street, San Jose, California 95133. If you choose to comment, please also provide notice to the parties' counsel as follows:

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If you have questions about this notice, the underlying action, or the enclosed materials, please contact counsel for plaintiff Ahmed Higazi and/or counsel for defendant Cadence as provided above.

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